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Florida Department of Transportation Announces Crossing Guard Appreciation Day and Award Winners

TALLAHASSEE - Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Safety Office announces Friday, February 5, 2016, as Crossing Guard Appreciation Day to recognize the hard work and dedication of those individuals who keep Florida's schoolchildren safe as they go to and from school. FDOT works with law enforcement agencies and provides standards and uniform training across the state to ensure the safety and effectiveness of the program.

Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Jim Boxold said, "Crossing Guard Appreciation Day is an opportunity to support Florida's crossing guards for their dedication to safety in our school communities. Our crossing guards work hard every day to make sure students travel to and from school safely, and we appreciate their commitment."

Every year the department recognizes individuals and organizations exemplifying professionalism and responsibility for the safety of children.

2015 School Crossing Guard of the Year:

Clay County Sheriff's Office School Crossing Guard Program

- *Katherine (Kate) Sasso*

2015 School Crossing Guard Program of the Year:

- *Seminole County Sheriff's Office School Crossing Guard Program*

Florida is a national leader in developing crossing guard uniform training guidelines and curriculum. FDOT is dedicated to providing a train-the-trainer program to educate trainers on the safe and effective techniques and crossing procedures used by crossing guards.

Governor Rick Scott issued a proclamation of appreciation. Click [here](#) to access the proclamation.